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In re: Welch et al. Serial No.: 09/889,645 Filed: January 24, 2002 Confirmation No. 8639 Group Art Unit: 1648

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For: TREATING PROTEIN-CONTAINING LIQUIDS

February 13, 2007

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Sir:

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.
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